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HOST PLANTS OF THE SIX-SPOTTED LEAFHOPPER AND THE ASTER YELLOWS VIRUS AND OTHER VECTORS OF THE VIRUS

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A compilation from the literature of the host plants of the aster yellows virus and its most important vector the six-spotted leafhopper (Macrosteles fascifrons (Stal)) was undertaken for background information for some new investigations of this disease on truck-crop and ornamental plants. It is presented here in the hope that it may be of use to other workers on the aster yellows problem.

This host-plant list includes 319 plant species in 54 families on which the six-spotted leafhopper, virus infection, or both have been recorded. Of these species 127 are in the family Compositae. Of the total number 22 are only reported to be host plants of the leafhopper, as it was not indicated whether or not they are subject to infestation by the virus, and 175 are only indicated as hosts of the virus, there being no record of the occurrence of the leafhopper. Virus infection has been recorded in all the 54 families except Convolvulaceae, Gramineae, and Oxalidaceae; whereas the leafhopper has been recorded on only 40 of the families.

The literature also shows that, although the six-spotted leafhopper appears to be the only vector of the eastern strain of the aster yellows virus, there are a number of other vectors of the western (California or celery yellows) strain of the virus. A list of the vectors of the western strain is also presented.



Host Plants of the Six-Spotted Leafhopper and/or the Aster Yellows

Family and Species	Reference
Acanthaceae Thunbergia alata Bojer*	6, 10
Aizoaceae <u>Tetragonia expansa</u> Murr.*	6, 10
Amaranthaceae Amaranthus aurora	6, 8 6, 8 3
Apocynaceae Vinca rosea L.*	6, 10
Asclepiadaceae Asclepias nivea L	6, 8
Begonia semperflorens Link & Otto	6, 8
Boraginaceae Anchusa barrelieri Vitm.*	6, 10 6, 10 6, 8, 21
Cannaceae Canna sp. (canna)	25
Campanulaceae <u>Lobelia erinus</u> L. var. <u>compacta</u> Hort.*	6, 10
Dianthus alpinus L.* D. barbatus L. (sweet-william)*	6, 10 21 26 6, 21 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10

^{*}Host of virus but no record of leafhopper occurrence.

Family and Species	Reference
Chenopodiaceae Beta vulgaris L. (beet) **	2 6, 10 6, 17
Cistaceae <u>Helianthemum chamaecistus Mill.*</u>	6, 10
Compositae Acroclinium roseum Hook. (acroclinium)*	6, 10 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 8, 21 6, 10 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8
C: sp. (little gem)	8 12, 19 19 6, 10

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Family and Species	Refer e nce
Compositae (con.) <u>Cirsium oleraceum</u> (L.) Scop.*	6, 10 6, 10
coreopsis)* C. grandiflora Nutt. (bigflower coreopsis)* C. lanceolata L.* C. stillmanii (Gray) Blake* Cosmidium sp. = Thelesperma sp Cosmos bipinnatus Cav. (common cosmos)* C. sp. (cosmos)	21 21 6, 10 6, 10 8 6, 10, 21 2
Cotula australis Hook. f	3 6, 10 1 6, 8 6, 10
Emilia sagittata (Vahl) DC. (daisy fleabane) Erigeron annuus (L.) Pers. (butterweed) E. canadensis L. (horseweed)* E. glabellus Nutt.* E. linifolius Willd. (flax-leaved fleabane) E. speciosus (Lindl.) DC.*	6, 8, 10 6, 8 3, 6 6, 10 3, 6, 10 3, 6, 10
Ethulia conyzoides L.* Eupatorium perfoliatum L. (thoroughwort)* E. rugosum Houtt. (white snakeroot)* Felicia aethiopica (Burm. f.) O. Hoffm.* F. amelloides (L.) Voss. (blue marguerite)* Filago germanica L.* Flaveria repanda Lag.*	6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10
Gaillardia aristata Pursh (gaillardia) G. pulchella Foug. var. picta Gray (gaillardia or blanket-flower)* -	6, 10 6, 8
Galinsoga parviflora Cav. (galinsoga)* Gnaphalium californicum DC. (California everlasting) G. ramosissimum Nutt. (pink everlasting)* Grindelia squarrosa (Pursh) Dun.* Hedypnois cretica (L.) Willd.*	3, 6, 10 3 6, 10 6, 10
Helenium autumnale L.*	3, 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 3, 6, 10
Helianthus annuus L. (common garden sunflower)* Helichrysum arenarium (L.) DC Heliopsis laevis (L.) Pers.*	3 21 6, 8 6, 20, 21 6, 10

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Family and Species	Reference
Compositae (con.) Tridax trilobata (Cav.) Hemsl.*	6, 10 6, 10 3 3, 6, 10 6, 20, 21 6 6, 10
Convolvulus arvensis L. (wild morning-glory)**	3
Alyssum compactum De Not Brassica campestris L. (common yellow mustard) B. hirta Moench (white London mustard) B. oleracea var. botrytis L. (cauliflower)* B. oleracea L. var. capitata L. (cabbage)* B. oleracea var. italica Plenck. (sprouting broccoli)*-Capsella bursa-pastoris (L.) Medic. (shepherds-purse)*-Cheiranthus allionii Hort. (Siberian wallflower)* C. cheiri L. (wallflower)* C. cheiri L. (wallflower)*	6, 8 3 6, 17 19 19 19 3 6, 10 21 6, 10 6, 10 4 3, 19
Cucurbitaceae Cucumis sativus L. (cucumber)	2
Datisca cannabina L.*	6, 10
Dipsaceae <u>Dipsacus fullonum</u> L. (fullers teasel) Scabiosa atropurpurea L. (morning bride or sweet scabious)	3 6, 8, 21
Geraniaceae Erodium botrys Bertol. (broadleaf filaree)*** E. cicutarium (L.) L'her. (redstem filaree)*	3

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Geraniaceae (con.) Erodium moschatum (L.) L'her. (whitestem filaree) Geranium dissectum L. (cut-leaved geranium)	3 3
Gesneriaceae Didymocarpus horsfieldii Schinz.* Gloxinia sp	6, 10 6, 8
Gramineae Bromus sp. (bromegrass)**	7 4 2
Hydrangeaceae Hydrangea macrophylla (Thunb.) DC	1
Memophila sp	6, 8 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10
Iridaceae Gladiolus sp. (gladiolus)	1, 2, 13, 24
Juncaceae Juncus bufonius L. (toad rush)**	4
Labiatae Dracocephalum ruyschiana L. (dragonhead)* Lamium amplexicaule L. (deadnettle) Lavandula spica L. (lavender)*	6, 10 3 6 6, 10 21 6, 8
Leguminaceae Lotus corniculatus L. (birdsfoot trefoil)** L. salsuginosus Greene Medicago hispida Gaertn. (burclover)*	14 3 3 7 3 5 5, 7 5, 7

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Liliaceae Allium ascalonicum L. (shallot)	24 2, 19
Limnanthaceae Limnanthes douglasi R. Br. (meadowfoam)*	6, 10
Linaceae <u>Linum grandiflorum</u> Desf. var <u>rubrum</u> Vilm. (linum) <u>L. usitatissimum</u> L. (flax)	2 22
Loasaceae Blumenbachia hieronymi Urb.*	6, 10 6, 10
Malvaceae Malva nicaeensis All. (bull mallow) M. parviflora L. (cheeseweed)* M. rotundifolia L. (dwarf mallow)*	3 3 3
Martyniaceae Martynia sp	6, 8
Moraceae <u>Humulus japonicus</u> Sieb. & Zucc.*	6, 10
Nyctaginaceae Abronia umbellata Lam. var. grandiflora Hort.*	6, 10
Onagraceae Clarkia elegans Dougl. (clarkia)* Epilobium californicum Hausskn. (willow herb) E. franciscanum Barbcy. (willow herb)** E. paniculatum Nutt. (panicled willow herb) Gaura lindheimeri Engelm. & Gray (white gaura)*	6, 10, 21 3 4 3 21
Godetia grandiflora Lindl. (godetia) Oxalidaceae	6, 20, 21
Oxalis rubra A. St. Hil.**	3
Papaveraceae Eschsholtzia californica Cham. (California poppy) 6 Papaver nudicaule L. (Iceland poppy)*	, 8, 20, 21 6, 10
Plantaginaceae Plantago alpina L.*	6, 10

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Plantaginaceae (con.) Plantago fuscescens Jord.*	6, 10 3 3, 6, 8, 17 6, 10
Plumbaginaceae Armeria alpina Willd.*	6, 10 21 6, 10
Polemoniaceae Gilia capitata Dougl. var. achilleaefolia (Benth.) Mason (globe gila)* G. densiflora Benth.* C. tricolor Benth. (birdseye)* Phlox drummondii Hook. (annual summer phlox) P. paniculata L. (summer perennial phlox) Polemonium caeruleum L.*	6, 10
Polygonaceae Fagopyrum esculentum Moench (buckwheat)* Polygonum aviculare L. (knotweed) P. convulvulus L. (black bindweed)* P. persicaria L. (ladysthumb)** *** Rumex acetosella L. (sheep sorrel) R. crispus L. (curly dock)**	6 3 3 3 3 3
Portulacaceae Calandrinia grandiflora Lindl.*	6, 8 3 6, 8
Primulaceae Anagallis arvensis L. (red pimpernil) A. linifolia L.* Primula elatior Hill (oxlip) P. polyantha Mill. (polyanthus primrose)*	3 6, 10 6, 8 21
Ranunculaceae Adonis aestivalis L. (summer adonis)* Anemone coronaria L. (poppy-flowered anemone)* Delphinium ajacis L. (perennial delphinium or rocket larkspur)	6, 10 21 20, 21, 23

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Ranunculaceae (con.) Delphinium cultorum Voss. (perennial delphinium)* Nigella damascena L. (love-in-a-mist)* Ranunculus asiaticus L. (turban and Persian buttercups)*	21 21 6, 21 3
Resedaceae Reseda odorata L. (mignonette)	6, 8
Rosaceae Fragaria californica C. & S Geum chiloense Balb. (geum)* Potentilla monspeliensis L. (rough cinquefoil)*	3 21 3, 6, 10
Alonsoa warscewiczii Regel* Antirrhinum majus L. (snapdragon) Calceolaria sp	6, 10 2 6, 8 6, 10 3 3, 21 3, 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 6, 10 3, 4, 21 6, 8 6, 8 6, 8
Solanaceae Browallia demissa L.*	6, 10 2 3 6, 10 6, 10, 16

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Solanaceae (con.) Petunia hybrida Vilm. (petunia)	2, 6, 10, 21 21 6, 8 2, 6, 9, 10 3 2, 6, 16
Tropaeolum majus L. (garden nasturtium)*	21
Ammi majus L. (bishopsweed)***	6, 8, 21 6, 10 6, 10
Urticaceae <u>Urtica</u> californica Greene (coast nettle)	3
Valerianaceae <u>Centranthus</u> calcitrapa (L.) Dufr.*	6, 10
Violaceae Viola tricolor L. (pansy)	1

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Insect Vectors of Western Strain of Aster Yellows

Family and Species	Reference
Acinopterus angulatus Lawson	7
Chlorotettix similis DeLong	8, 11
Colladonus commissus (Van Duzee)	9
C. flavocapitatus (Van Duzee)	9, 11
C. geminatus (Van Duzee), geminate leafhopper (syn. Thamnotettix geminatus)	2, 11
<u>C. intricatus</u> (Ball)	9
<u>C. kirkaldyi</u> (Ball)	9
C. montanus (Van Duzee), mountain leafhopper (syn. Thamnotettix montanus)	2, 3, 11
C. rupinatus (Ball) (syn. brunneus DeLong and Severin)	9
Euscelidius schenkii (Kirschbaum) (syn. Euscelis maculipenis DeLong and Davidson)	8, 11
Fieberiella florii (Stal)	8, 11
Gyponana hasta DeLong	6, 11
Idiodonus heidemanni (Ball)	9
Macrosteles fascifrons (Stal)	many
Paraphlepius apertinus (Osborn and Lathrop)	4, 11
Scaphytopius dubius (Van Duzee)	8
<u>S. irroratus</u> (Van Duzee)	8
Texananus incurvatus (Osborn and Lathrop)	10
<u>T. lathropi</u> (Baker)	1, 5
<u>T. latipex</u> (DeLong)	1
<u>T</u> . <u>oregonus</u> (Ball)	1, 11
T. pergradus DeLong	1
T. spatulatus (Van Duzee)	5

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